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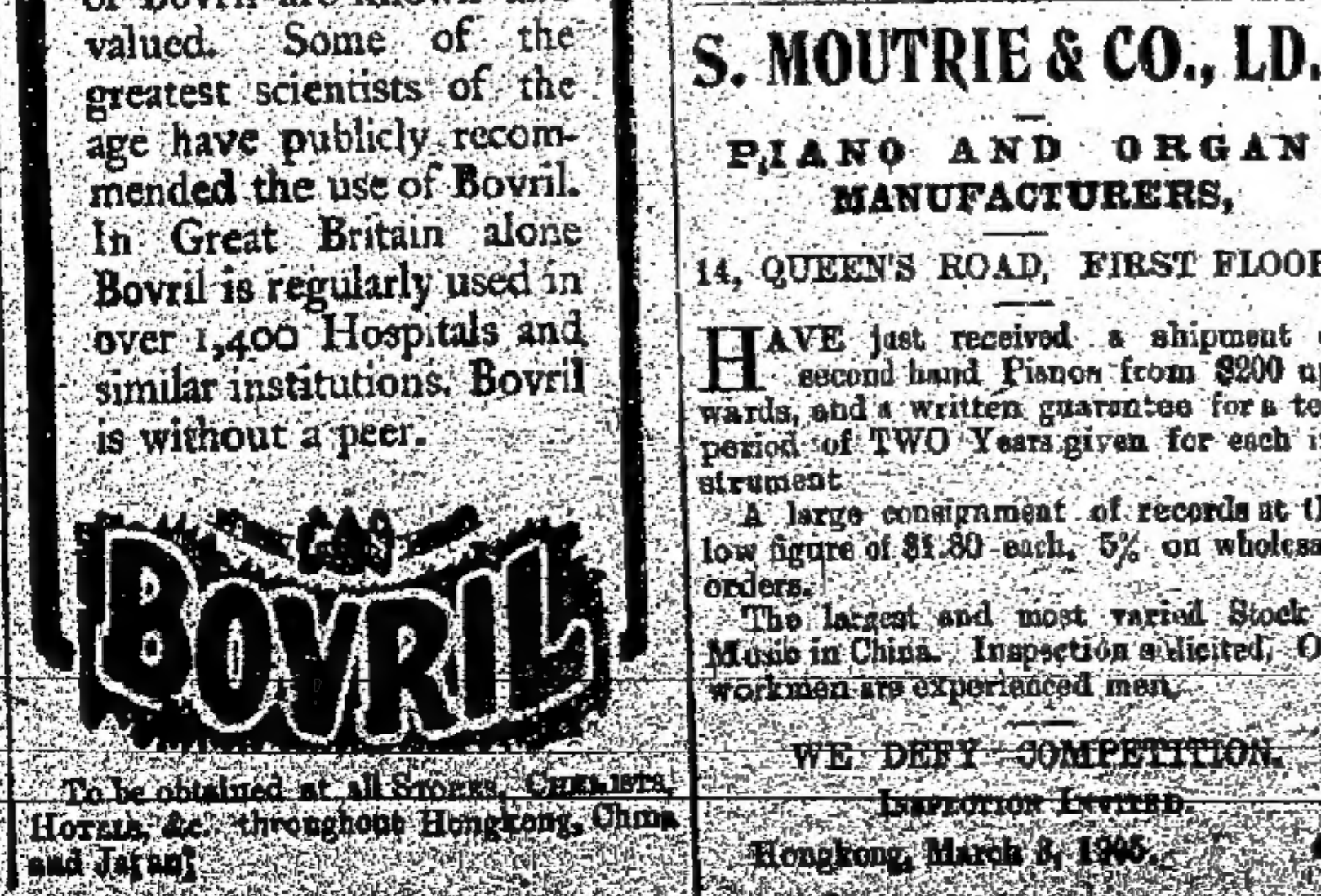
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No. 71.

{ Removal work at Canton River
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No. 67, Notice is hereby given that
the signals contained therein are annulled
and that in future Warning and Danger
signals in connection with removal work
at the Barriers will be made as follows:

A RED FLAG hoisted on a junk, steam
launch or other craft in the neighbourhood
of the Iron and Bridge Barriers, indicates
a craft with high explosives on board.

TWO BLACK SPHERES hoisted on a
junk in the vicinity of any of the Barriers
indicates that danger would be caused to
life and property by the wash of steamers.

This signal will be hoisted when a diver
is down, when explosives are laid, or when
a junk is so fast to the bottom or to piles,
as to render the wash of a steamer dan-
gerous.

Vessels approaching the Barriers should
keep a careful look out for this signal, and,
if hoisted, slow down at a sufficient dis-
tance to prevent her wash reaching the
boat at work, and proceed dead slow until
well past.

If owing to any reason it is unsafe for a
vessel to pass the Iron Barrier, A RED
TRIANGULAR SHAPE 6 feet in height,
will be hoisted on a staff at the Barrier
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A vessel seeing this signal should on no
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J. HOWELL MAY,
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Intimations.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held
in the HONGKONG HOTEL, on
SATURDAY, 1st April, at 8 o'clock.
Members wishing to be present are request-
ed to communicate with.

R. H. CROFTON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Club, March 22, 1905. 606

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-
SHIP CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the COMPANY will be
held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 31,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on SATURDAY,
the 25th March, 1905, at 11 A.M., for the purpose
of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the General Managers for the
year ending 31st December, 1904.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY,
the 22nd March, to SATURDAY, the 25th
March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 10, 1905. 514

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL,
on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1905,
at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts of the Company
for the 31st December, 1904, with the Report
of the Directors, and to discuss any matter
that may be brought before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 22nd to
the 28th March, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board.
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 21, 1905. 597

WATKINS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Company's Office No. 31,
Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the
31st March, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the General
Manager with a Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1904.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 24th
to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

CHUN A. FOOK,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 14, 1905. 541

CAMPBELL, MOORE & COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be
held at the Company's Office, No. 29,
Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the
31st March, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose
of receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1904.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 19th to
31st March, both days inclusive.
By Order,
M. A. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 15, 1905. 533

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the COMPANY will be held
at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Victoria,
Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 31st March,
at Noon, when the Subordinate Resolution
which was passed at the Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Company held on
the 11th March, 1904, will be submitted
for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

That Article X of the Company's Articles
of Association and its marginal notes
be, and the same are hereby cancelled, and
that there be substituted therefor the
following Article and marginal notes
namely:

1. The Company in General
Meeting may from time to time increase
the number of shares of the capital by
the creation of new shares of such
amount as may be deemed expedient.

2. The new shares shall
be issued upon such terms and
conditions and with such rights and
privileges annexed thereto as the Gen-
eral Meeting resolving upon the
creation thereof shall direct, and if no
direction be given as the Directors shall
determine.

3. Subject to any direc-
tion to the contrary that may be
given by the Meeting that sanctions the
increase of capital all new shares
shall be offered to the parties who
from time to time are entitled to the
existing shares, held by them and such
offer shall be made by notice specifying
the number of shares to which the
Member is entitled and limiting a time
within which the offer if not ac-
cepted will be deemed to be
declined, and after the ex-
piration of such time or on the
receipt of an intimation from the
Member to the contrary, each notice
is given that he declines to accept the
shares offered, the Directors may
dispose of the same in such
manner as they think most
beneficial to the Company.

4. Except so far as may be
otherwise provided by the
conditions of issue or by
these presents any capital
raised by the creation of
new shares shall be con-
sidered as ordinary capital and shall be
subject to the provisions
herein contained with re-
ference to the payment of
calls and instalments, trans-
fer and transmission, for-
feiture, lien and otherwise.

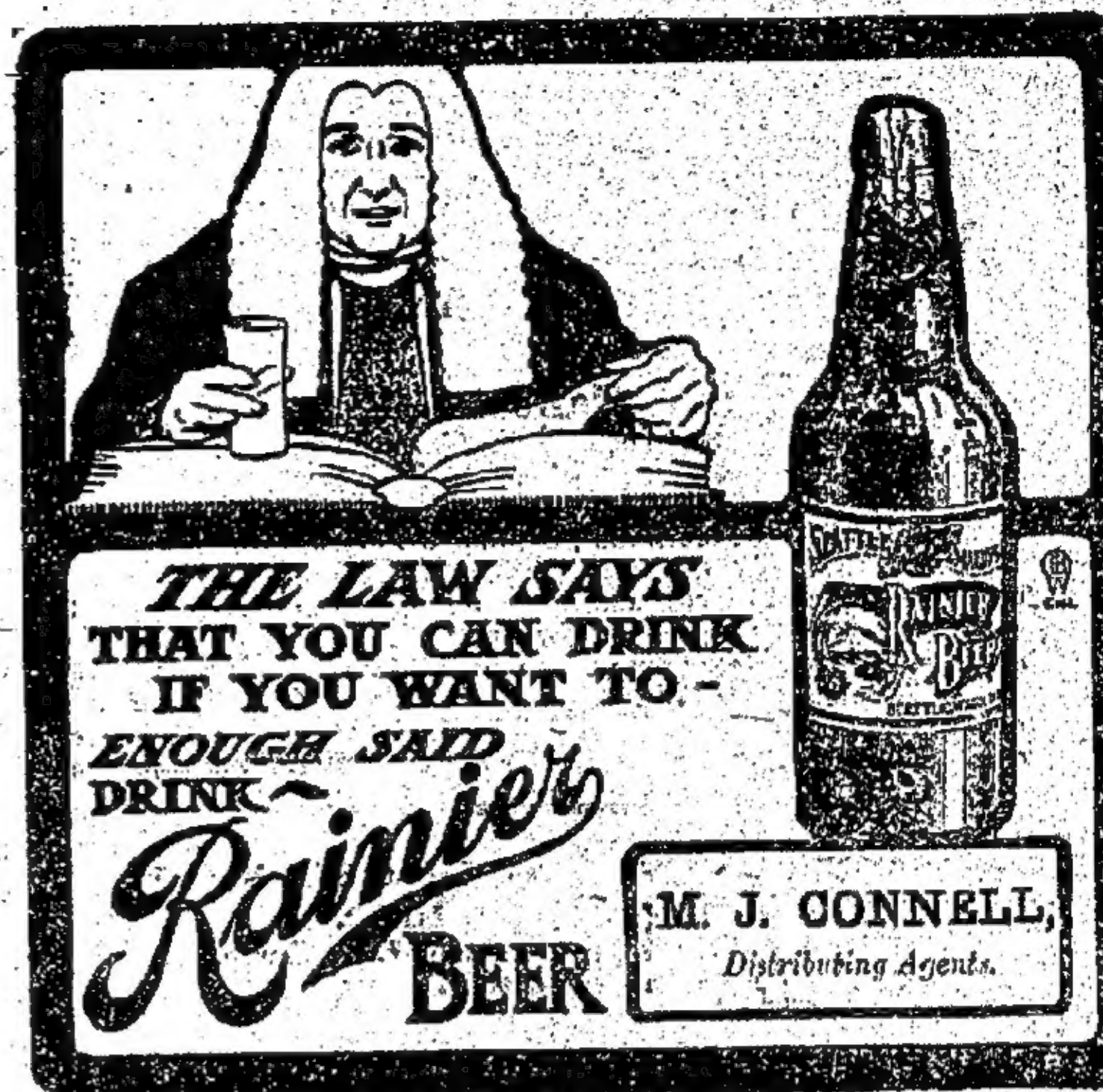
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. 542

Intimations.

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Powder
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Hongkong, February 8, 1905.

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To Let.

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SPACIOUS GODOWNS situated on
Praya East Nos. 106 & 107 and
Wharf also ready.
Apply to
TANG LEUNG CHI,
101, Wanchai Road.
Hongkong, March 22, 1905. 615

TO LET.

ONE Large Comfortable FURNISHED
ROOM, at Kowloon, suitable for one
or two Gentlemen. Good Locality and
convenient to Ferry. Terms.
Apply to
"B. V.,
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, March 20, 1905. 589

TO LET.

NO. 1. BARROW TERRACE, KOW-
LOON.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 2, 1904. 435

TO LET.

A BUILDING at CANNING BAY, at
present in occupation of the Steam
Laundry Co., Ltd.
No. 1. RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing the
Polo Ground.
OFFICES in Causeway of Erection, Con-
struction Road (near Biko Pier).
GODOWNS (Near Biko Pier).
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 7, 1905. 439

TO LET.

TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, Euro-
pean Style, in Kowloon. Possession
on or about 1st August, 1905.
MODERATE RENTALS.
Apply to
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE
CO., LTD.
Hongkong, February 20, 1905. 9

SUITABLE FOR OFFICES.

ROOMS in PRINCES BUILDINGS.
Apply to
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, March 3, 1905. 462

TO LET.

DETACHED HOUSE in Robinson Road,
Kowloon.
Apply to
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
or to
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND
FINANCE CO., LD.,
Hongkong, March 14, 1905. 399

TO LET.

FURNISHED, from March next, Six-
Roomed Bungalow with Tennis Lawn
and Garden.
"YALTA" Mount Kellett, Peak.
Apply, HARRY WILKING & CO.,
St. George's Building.
Hongkong, March 28, 1905. 436

TO LET.

SIX ROOMED HOUSE on SHAMEN,
either as a Wholesaler or Flat. Cen-
tral position facing the Band. Electric
Light.
Apply to
"J. L.,
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, March 21, 1905. 596

To Let.

TO LET.

KILLADOON, 181, Wanchai Road, a
Spacious and Commodious 12-
ROOMED HOUSE commanding good
View of the Harbour, moderate rental.
Apply
W. L. SAUGHT,
182, Wanchai Road.
Hongkong, March 10, 1905. 561

TO LET.

HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS,
Conduit Road, from 1st July, 1905.
Apply
THE MEDICAL HALL,
Hongkong, March 14, 1905. 584

TO LET—IN KOWLOON.

ONE FOUR-ROOM FLAT, in Central
Position, grand view; 5 minutes
walk to Ferry. Rent Moderate to suitable
Tenant. Apply for full particulars to
DOOLITTLE & POLLOCK,
63 & 64, Elgin Road, Kowloon, and
1 & 3, Wellington Street, Hongkong
Hongkong, February 24, 1905. 356

TO LET.

NO. 1. STEWART TERRACE, The
Peak.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY CO., LD.,
Hongkong, March 26, 1904. 440

TO LET.

TWO SQUARE ROOMS in the Cos-
mopolitan House, suitable for
Offices.
Also ONE STALL on the Ground Floor.
Apply
IN PERSON AT HOTEL OFFICE.
Hongkong, March 20, 1905. 584

TO LET.

2 NEW HOUSES, To Let, in CASTLE
ROAD.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, October 22, 1904. 437

TO LET.

GODOWN, also FINE BUILDING
SITES FOR Sale, in Wanchai Road.
Apply
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 17, 1905. 433

For Sale.

TO BE SOLD.
PUBLIC HOUSE, full Licence, good
position, long Lease, Cheap Rental.
Apply
"P. H.,
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, March 4, 1905. 469

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SMALL STEAMER
In Good, Sea-going Condition, just been
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For Price and Particulars, apply to
"E. F. GIBSON,
14, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD,
HONGKONG.
Hongkong, March 15, 1905. 548

LONDON'S HUNGRY SIDE.

Some Pitiful Sight and Stories.

If Trafalgar Square was suggestive, the
Sunday before, the picture of the bitter
poverty and terrible distress which is pre-
sented in the East End of London during
this comparatively mild winter, West Ham
is one unpropitiously and hideously realistic
in the scenes of suffering poverty which are
there for anyone to see who cares to visit
that wretched suburb. By the courtesy
of the editor of the Daily Telegraph
(London), I was, today, enabled to see
something of the misery which, by
its energetic and public-spirited action, that
paper has done much to relieve during the
past week. The "Daily Telegraph" has,
for ten days, devoted a large amount of its
space and a great deal of clerical and or-
ganising work to the problem of a "dishing"
fund for the relief of this part of
starving London. Each issue has contained
graphic descriptions of the state of being of
the inhabitants of the suburb in question
—a suburb which is wholly the domain of
the working man—together with an account
of the measures which, thanks to the
enterprise, have been taken to mitigate the
severity of the bad time which has pre-
vailed therein.

It was, accordingly, with some certainty
of seeing the real thing that I sallied
forth this morning, in company with the
Daily Telegraph's Special Commissioner,
to visit the borough. As to what I saw,
and what I am about to describe, I cannot
help feeling that there may exist in Sydney
something of the sceptic spirit which
possessed the writer before he actually
witnessed the scenes which he has now
to behold to-day, and that therefore, his
narration of them may seem possibly a
little highly-colored, a little over-drawn, and
to some extent tinged with a certain suspicion
of striving after effect. But, indeed,
there is nothing of the kind in it. If it is
not infinite too personal a note into his
weekly letter, your correspondence would
confess that he wishes he had never gone
near West Ham. There are some things
which, once seen, are not easily forgotten,
and, of these, the sight of starving women
and children, is probably the least easy to
put aside. You may witness the life ripped
out of a man in thirty seconds; you may see
the delicious moanings of fever-stricken
patients in army hospitals; you may witness
the abhorrent odor of stale blood in some
war-time shambles; you may see the bitter
sign of death in half a hundred forms—
and remain pretty much as you were before—
but, if in the outskirts of the city, you
have seen the gaunt faces of children
without food, and mothers who are help-
less you will never, in all your life, forget
the experience.

Leaving Fleet-street in the forenoon, we
went to Channing Town and then to
Plattin, which is almost in the centre of
the West Ham district. Here we won the
guests of an Anglican Brotherhood, which,
garbed in black, monkish costume, corded
and girdled with rope, labors in poverty in
the midst of the very poorest quarters of
East End London. So far as one could see,
the kind of life led by these devoted men
contains little more of material comfort
than that of the community in which they
live. The "Father" who took me to his
cell to wash my hands before lunch lived
in a mean hovel of a room of such a kind
as any factory inspector would unhesitat-
ingly condemn as filthy. The food of
which we partook was indifferently plain
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live.

We went out with Brother Andrew—a
tall, gaunt, matter-of-fact man, but tender
as a woman—whom the Reverend Father
had commissioned to show us something of
his work. He led us through many mean
streets, and across acres of mud, until we

for which there did not seem to be excuse. "What is to become of this family now inquired of Brother Andrew on the way downstairs." He shook his head, but made no reply.

Finally, after having waded knee-deep through a sea of misery, we came to a back room on a ground floor, in which was a desk

& Co.
 TERMS --As customary.
 On View from Tuesday, the 28th March
 1905.
 GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
 Hongkong, March 22, 1905. 61

<p>SHIP AND HOUSE PAINTER, GILDER, GRAINER, AND SCRAPER, CALICHE AND CARPENTER. No. 44, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, February 20, 1916. 365</p>	<p>CONTRACTOR AND HOUSEBUILDER. No. 27, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. CONTRACTOR to H.B.M.'s Govern- ment. We have always a large stock of BUILDING MATERIALS at Moderate Prices. Hongkong, March 20, 1905. 366</p>
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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Water Colours, &c., at Mr G.O.—Lamart's Sales Rooms.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Concert in City Hall.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Transfer Books of Watkins, Ltd. Close from this date to 31st March inclusive.

Goods for *Typhoon*, undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, March 25:—

11 a.m.—Meeting of China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios, &c., at Mr V. I. Remedios' Sales Rooms.

MONDAY, March 27:—

1.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 1, Gough Hill, the Peak.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 11, Austin Avenue Kowloon.

Hongkong Schools' Sports.

Goods per *Tonkin* undelivered after this date to be subject to rent and landing charges.Goods per *Beaver* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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BIRTH.

On March 18, at No. 32, Range Road, Shanghai, the wife of ARTHUR REED, of 1 Daughton.

DEATH.

On March 17, at the Shanghai and Hongkong Co.'s Wharf, Footing, ALEXANDER CHARLES WILLIAM MARSHALL, aged 12 months.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All business communications for this office should be addressed to THE MANAGER.

Communications intended for publication should be addressed to THE EDITOR, and not to any person by name.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

Any communication not accompanied by the signature of the writer will be rejected without consideration.

All communications must be legibly written upon one side of the paper.

Telephone, No. 22.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1905.

THE WAR.

THOUGH the word Sedan was on the lips of many people when the Japanese forces threatened the annihilation of the Russians in the vicinity of Mukden the end is not yet. General Linievitch may well with some satisfaction murmur the well-known saying of Napoleon III, the victim of Sedan, 'My hour has not come,' but whether he should also murmur the concluding phrase, 'but when it does I shall break like glass,' remains to be seen. Though defeated as the Commander of the First Army, he has not yet presented the opportunity to be defeated as Commander-in-Chief of the whole army, and until that great force under his direction again meets the Japanese it would be ill-advised to say whether or not he will do better in the field than his unfortunate predecessor.

General Linievitch, it is certain, if the deduction drawn from his despatches is correct that he is at present in the vicinity of the Sungari River, is apparently not going to risk much until he thoroughly acquaints himself with the character of the men who are supposed to be now trickling from Russia to his assistance, and some of the country he is destined to fight or flee in. At the Sungari is the frontier of Manchuria and the main armies are miles upon miles to the southward. Linievitch will be able to secure complete knowledge of his forces and the country on the main route of retirement—if it is to be continued retirement—before he again comes to his fighting lines. That he will formulate a different scheme to that which General Kuropatkin has stood by and constantly failed in is only natural; but what it will be it is difficult to surmise. It is certain, though, that whatever he decides to do, the Japanese to their knees will have to be something of an extremely high strategic order if it is to be even partially successful. The men under Linievitch are tired and despairing, and they would be quite willing were it to the liking of the St. Petersburg Council, to keep on retreating right on past even the Sungari. The last big battle was enough to show that the Japanese are not to be stopped in their progress even if the Russians have failed to come to that conclusion before, and, there may be, considerable truth in the belief expressed on the Continent that Russia is making a pretence at reinforcing the army with the mere object of strengthening her position in the event of peace negotiations being opened. To bluff in such a manner would be consistent with all her past actions. She has fought and failed, but mayhap still clings to the belief that her foes and the world at large are still not half so cunning as she. Whether she will be able—if it is her intention to merely pack the field with an eye on peace terms—to save her existing army from further route or possible capture before she is ready to say, *Fortuna cetera munda*, is doubtful. There has been ominous silence from the front for the past week and whether it bodes further desperate loss to Russia time alone can tell. There is a probability that the Japanese are still developing the enveloping movement. They have been peculiarly silent, and when the Japanese are silent it can be taken for granted that they are not also idle. The country being traversed by the retreating army—unless they have got back on to the main road to Harbin again—is terribly rough and rugged and that, combined with the unfavourable climatic conditions, makes

pursuit by the Japanese easier, as they will be able to select the best roads with a view to cutting off the Russian columns. We should hear enough within a few days or weeks at most to form some idea as to whether the war is to be continued or ceased.

A young child was playing hockey with a brick and the upright of an old umbrella, to the danger of the eyes and hat of a wayfarer. 'You look out,' said the child's mother, 'or you'll hurt the gentleman.' The little girl looked up, and reassured her, 'That ain't no gentleman,' she said, 'it's the doctor!'

An amusing incident in his War Office experience, showing up the extent of Mr Brodriek at a Victoria League meeting. Some ingenious person in the office, he said, suggested that the Capetown chaplain might officiate there in the morning and minister to the troops at Durban in the afternoon. 'And yet,' commented Mr Brodriek, 'it is alleged that the War Office is not an economical department.' The distance from Capetown to Durban is nearly 1000 miles.

Commenting on the remarks made in the CHINA MAIL about the rise in the price of meat the *Japan Chronicle* says:—The CHINA MAIL concludes another leading article on the subject by asking, 'Will the public move?' The reply will be awaited with no little interest by the residents of Kobe, who have 'been through the mill.' Our contemporary will now be able to tell the energetic people of Kobe that the public has not moved, and that residents here are unique inasmuch as they do not mind being squeezed.

To be an editor in Oklahoma seems simplicity itself. 'All a fellow has to do,' says the editor of the *Centre News*, 'is to be able to write poems, discuss the tariff and money questions, impute a baseball game, report a wedding, saw wood, describe a fire so that the readers will shed their tears, make one dollar do the work of ten, shine at a dance, measure cattle, abuse the liquor habit, test whisky, subscribe to charities, go without meals, attack free silver, defend bimetalism, sneer at snobbery, wear diamonds, incur advertisements, overlook scandals, appraise babies, delight pumpkin raisers, minister to the afflicted, head the disgruntled, fight to a finish, set type, mould opinions, sweep the office, speak at prayer meetings, and stand in with everybody and everything.'

From the date of the imposition of the Commonwealth tariff duties friction has been constant between the authorities and the importers. Prosecutions for false invoices were frequent, but did not always result in the conviction of the importer. However, as the following incident indicates, the authorities have invented a new method of insuring that the full revenue or its equivalent will be paid into the Treasury. A consignment of gramophones arrived in Sydney recently invoiced at a little over £60, and the Customs expert in gramophones decided that the value of the instruments was understated. Accordingly they were purchased by the department with an addition of 10 per cent. on the invoice value. As the Customs department had no desire to set up as public entertainers tenders were called for the purchase of the gramophones. The highest tender was £15, which the *Queing Minister* (Sen for Drake) decided to accept. The government gained £85 on the deal.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Major Redcliffe and Officers, the Band of the 53rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel during dinner, on Friday, the 24th March, (weather permitting):—
March.....'The Washington Post'.....Sotter Idyll.....'Havatha'.....Merck Selection.....'The Belle of New York'.
Kerker Lancers.....'The Toreador'.....Williams Waltz.....'A Greek Slave'.....Sidney Jones Selection.....'Flora'.....Leslie Stuart Polka.....'Piccadilly'.....Green
OD SAVE THE KING.

Lecture on Tea.

A lecture on 'Tea' was given at the City Hall last evening by Inspector T. Cotton, under the auspices of the Odd Volumes Society. Dr. F. Clark presided. The lecturer, who has had some years of experience on plantations in India, dealt exhaustively with the subject and dwelt on many interesting points concerning the early history and cultivation of the tea plant. Speaking of the difference in preparing black and green teas he set it out to be that black teas lie spread out for some time in the factory after gathering and were tossed about until they became soft before roasting. After being roasted for five minutes, and rolled, they were exposed to the air for some hours and were dried slowly over charcoal fires in sieves. In the case of green teas the leaves were roasted in an iron vessel almost as soon as gathered and were dried off quickly after the rolling process.

STEARNS' HEADACHE CURE, can be obtained from all Dispensaries, quickly by post. Gives instant relief. Avoid imitations. Keep the Genuine handy.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The French Mail of the 21st February was delivered in London on the 22nd March.

We note the return of M. G. de Champeaux to the Agency of the Messageries Maritimes Company.

Leave of absence on private affairs to the neighbouring countries has been granted to Captain F. J. Jolin, 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment, from 25th April to 21st May.

Mr E. G. Wrightson, of the s.s. 'Boehling' (Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Co.) has successfully passed the examination held in Hongkong for his master's certificate.

Lieutenant L. H. Branson will be officiating Quarter Master 119th Mahatta Light Infantry in addition to his own duties as Double Company Officer from the 7th March, 1905, vice Lieutenant C. H. Howbroy, on leave on Medical Certificate.

A programme of round trips has been arranged by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, which will be found useful by tourists or any one contemplating an excursion to any of the ports where the Company's boats ply. Trips are arranged for visiting Macao, Canton, Wuchow and various West River ports, and the starting-times of steamers and the length of time required for the respective journeys is given, together with the passage fare.

Theft on the 'Zaida'.

Captain G. M. Simmons charged two Chinese passengers by his steamer 'Zaida,' with stealing a box containing a South African Medal, some studs and other articles from his cabin, at the Magistracy this morning. The defendants were sworn to have endeavoured to dispose of the medal at a house at West Point, and were sentenced to three months and two months' imprisonment, respectively.

Theft by Chair Coolies.

Mrs Lefroy appeared at the Magistracy this morning, to prosecute two chair coolies for stealing a parcel, containing goods valued at \$10, left by her in their chair. The complainant stated that she forgot the parcel when changing from the chair to a ricksha yesterday and the coolies on being arrested were identified by her. They were convicted and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment, with three hours' stocks.

A Cricket Match.

A return cricket match between the officers of the South African Coolie Transport and the Police Recreation Club was played on the latter's ground, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. As was the case in the first match the police were victorious, winning by 191 runs to 158. For the winners Inspector Langley compiled the most runs, knocking out 67, when he retired, while Edwards 51, and Pitt 19, were the next highest scorers. For the opposites Edw. Dr. Blaney 78, Dr. Fox 46 and Mr Mansfield 24, were the most successful batsmen. With the ball Inspector Langley also did well, being responsible for five wickets.

The Theatre.

Last night the Dallas-Band in an Company again delighted a large audience with their production of the drama 'The Duchess of Dantz.' All the players were enthusiastically applauded. To-night the Company will produce 'A Country Girl,' but the last two performances will, we understand, be decided by public ballot. The ballot boxes are already at Messrs Robinson and Co's establishment and anyone wishing to see a particular piece merely has to signify the wish by voting for it and getting friends to do likewise. All that is needed is that a card be dropped in the ballot box.

The boxes will be opened and the pieces selected will be announced in our advertising columns on Monday. The Company has had bad weather for its present season, but it established itself so well at first that good houses were always drawn despite occasional tremendously heavy storms.

American Sailors Fined.

A party of American sailors were having a particularly merry time at Wanchai last night, as a result of which four of their number appeared before Mr E. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy this morning, with a formidable array of charges against them. The defendants were five in number, one charged with damaging a wharf, a truck and a sampan, three with disorderly conduct, and the fifth with attempting to rescue a prisoner while in custody. They all admitted the charges and it was stated by the court that they were creating a disturbance in the vicinity of Ship Street when the police came on the scene. The first defendant was amusing himself by pulling the bamboo out of a wharf constructed of that material and, probably to see what sort of a splash it would make, pushed a truck over the sea wall, with the result that it landed on a sampan and both truck and sampan sustained some damage. Arrests were then made and the fifth man tried to induce the others to try and escape. They were found armed with a knife and a stick, and the money was immediately forthcoming.

BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

[CHINA MAIL'S TELEGRAPH SERVICE.]
[RECEIVED BY RETURN, VIA HONGKONG.]
Received on March 22 at 6.30 p.m.

THE VENEZUELAN TROUBLE.

COERCIVE ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

London, March 22.
France, the United States and Holland have threatened coercive action against Venezuela, owing to the latter's drastic treatment of French and American concessionaires, and the illegal imprisonment of Dutch sailors.

TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

BOAT FACTORY BOILER BURSTS.

Numbers of Girls Killed.

London, March 22.
An appalling catastrophe is reported from Massachusetts, United States.

A boiler in a boat factory at Brockton burst, shattering the premises and killing 150 operatives, the majority of whom were females.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

A FINN GOVERNOR FIRED AT.

London, March 22.
An attempt has been made to assassinate the Governor of Viborg, Finland. A young man fired a shot at Governor N. Majasojadow, but though the bullet took effect the wound is not considered dangerous.

THE CONTEMPLATED NEW LOAN FOR JAPAN.

London, March 21.
Mr Takahashi, Vice-President of the Bank of Japan, who has arrived in London, states that a new Japanese loan is contemplated, and that it will probably be issued in England and America, but he has reason to believe that German, Dutch, Swiss, and Belgian banks are all anxious to secure a portion. Nothing however is yet settled.

TERRIFIC STORMS IN EUROPE.

Queen Alexandra is storm-bound at Vigo.
A terrific tempest is ravaging the Spanish and Portuguese coast.

SOMALILAND.

General Swayne, Commissioner and Consul General for the Somaliland Protectorate, telegraphs that the 'Mad' Mullah has sent a deputation to Berbera, and that peace has been concluded.

MESSRS PUNCHARD LOWTHER & CO. SUMMONED.

Decision Reserved.

The case in which Messrs Punchard Lowther and Company, Admiralty Contractors for the Naval Yard Extension works, were summoned by the Water Police for not complying with the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, by using unlicensed launches in connection with their work, came before Mr Hazeland at the Magistracy this afternoon. Mr Wilkinson appeared for the defendants and Mr Basil Taylor (Superintendent of Water Police) conducted the case for the Police.

Mr A. J. Williams was the only witness called and deposed that the launches were purchased specially to carry out the present work for the Admiralty. By the terms of their contract their ownership was vested in the Admiralty. The company has applied for permission to license the launches in order to avoid the fine and the permission had been refused. The launches did not bear the firm's name and were known by numbers only.

Mr Wilkinson submitted that the only persons that could be summoned for failing to license were the owners, crew or persons who hired unlicensed boats. If a lighter or launch was licensed the owner was compelled to let it out on hire, if required, or give some reasonable cause for refusing to do so. They would also have to obtain a clearance every time they went outside of certain limits. The whole question hinged on the ownership, and they were in the same position as the launches employed by the Army Ordnance Department which could not be classed as warships but were unlicensed.

Mr Taylor submitted that the only boats exempt from the provisions of the Ordinance were men-of-war. It was necessary that the launches should be licensed in order that the Harbour Master might have proper control over them.

Mr Hazeland reserved his decision.
Three thousand crates of rabbits were shipped to England from Melbourne by the 'Marathon' recently.
COLDs are quickly cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs and opens the airways, effecting a permanent cure. It cures colds, any kind of a cold, and results in pneumonia. For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

ADVANCING NORTHWARD.

Russians in Disorderly Retreat.

Tokyo, March 23, 11.50 a.m.
A detachment of our army, following up the enemy, entered, on the 25th instant, Chantu, twenty miles north of Kaiyuan.
Large bodies of the enemy are retreating in a disorderly state north-eastward along the railway.

KUROPATKIN'S COMMAND.

London, March 21.
It is understood at St. Petersburg that General Kuropatkin preferred to remain in Manchuria, but that he has accepted the command of the First Army Corps in Russia.

THE RUSSIAN MOBILIZATION.

It is believed that the Russian preparations and renewed mobilization are largely undertaken for the purpose of strengthening the position in the event of peace negotiations being opened.

LINIEVITCH'S DESPATCHES.

The places of origin of General Linievitch's despatches is not disclosed, but it is believed to be Sungari, where forces from Russia will be now reaching him.

THE QUESTION OF PEACE.

The Opinion of the Press in France.

Tokyo, March 17.

Japan's decisive victory at Mukden has completely changed the tone of the French Press which now unanimously advocates peace. Not a single paper of the pro-Japanese papers or socialist papers, which, affirming Russia's total defeat, insist with increased energy upon immediate peace, such as *Le Temps*, the *Matin*, and even such most pro-Russian papers as the *Revue de Paris* and the *Gauche* all express the opinion that as there remains no hope of victory for Russia in the near future, it would be better for her to conclude peace upon reasonable terms.

There is serious anxiety among capitalists concerning the future prospects of Russia. The *Matin*, which after the battle of Liaoyang loudly declared that Japan could henceforth entertain no more hope of success, writes on the 15th inst. that: 'The fate of war has now decided that the Japanese are masters over both sea and land. Russia can no longer fight for victory in the present war, Japan is assured of gathering all the fruits of victory, a new nation of the first order has arisen in the Far East, who has come to a place among the most civilized nations, and already equals the most powerful States. It is time for her to show magnanimity by facilitating the conclusion of peace on acceptable terms, excluding any claim of indemnity, or any moral assessment of Russia.'

All the news from St. Petersburg published in France tends to show a determination in Russia to continue the war with fresh energy.

Osaka, March 17.

A London telegram received here to-day says that a thoughtful article in one of the papers has been welcomed by the public in Paris. It considers that the postponement of the Russian loan is the best available means of ending this hopeless war. It points out the difficulties Russia would experience in paying off her present debt of £280,000,000 to France, and suggests that the French Government should use its influence for the restoration of peace, which is most necessary at the present moment. It concludes by saying that no further Russian loan should be authorized in Paris until the Czar promulgates a constitution for Russia.

THE COST OF THE VICTORY.

Tokyo, March 15.
The Japanese casualties are now estimated at 62,000, including over one thousand officers.

THE TRIUMPH OF OYAMA.

Tokyo, March 18.
Marshal Oyama made a brilliant entry into Mukden on the 14th instant.

Union Church Literary Club.

At the Union Church Literary Club's room this evening Mr F. Browne will deliver a lecture on Rabbinism. The lecture will be illustrated with lantern views, and will commence at 9 o'clock. Dr. J. O. Thomson will preside. The lecture is open to the public.

President Roosevelt has expressed his sympathy with a proposal to create an international body for the improvement of the conditions of wage-earners and of their relation with their employers.

ZYMOLLE TOOTH POWDER A perfect, not septic dentifrice, cleanses and preserves the teeth, every retainer.

Owing to a dispute concerning the rent of the Albany House Hotel, in New York, the place was closed one Saturday night in December, and 120 guests were summarily ejected in a driving snowstorm.

RHEUMATISM is cured by Chamberlain's Kidney and Bladder Remedy. One application relieves the pain. For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

PIRACIES ON THE EAST RIVER.

Vigorous Measures Necessary.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, March 22.
News comes to hand of very serious robberies on the East river. At Wu Chow, Chuchow, and Kayingchow, fleets of boats must join both when they sail and when they anchor, for mutual protection. Daily piracies are reported.
Repeated representation and appeals have been made to the local mandarins, who, however, put forth no serious effort to cope with the evil. The officials simply reply that they have given orders to the river guard boats and the local military stations to suppress the piracy which experience proves to mean nothing.
Only on the seventh of the present month, a gang which numbered more than a hundred, attacked three river junks, and carried off everything, which amounted, it is said, to about a hundred thousand dollars. It is suggested that unless some more vigorous attempts are made by the authorities to suppress, or at least keep the river robbers in check, the extensive trade on the East river will be seriously impeded. Surely the Chinese are a patient people.

RECEPTION AT THE Y. M. C. A.

New Secretary Welcomed.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms last night there was a large gathering of members who assembled for the purpose of extending a welcome to Mr. J. L. McPherson, the new departmental secretary, who has just arrived from America. The Hon. Mr. F. H. May occupied the chair and the rooms were very tastefully decorated for the occasion and presented a very pleasing appearance.

Mr. May, on behalf of the Board of Directors, extended a very hearty welcome to Mr. McPherson and referred to the fact that he had had previous acquaintance with him. Mr. May occupied the chair and the rooms were very tastefully decorated for the occasion and presented a very pleasing appearance.

Mr. J. Dyer Ball next extended a welcome on behalf of the departmental committee of management, and Mr. McPherson, on behalf of the members of the local association.

Mr. D. W. Lyons, acting general secretary for China, Korea and Hongkong, also added words of welcome on behalf of the whole association. He referred to the splendid progress that had been made by the European department of the Y. M. C. A. since its establishment in Hongkong. The success of its first year's work gave the keenest satisfaction to the brotherhood of which they were one of the integral parts. There were fifty district associations in the union, 39 of them being amongst students, seven amongst the native young men in the cities and two amongst the Europeans in the ports, one for European guards in the legations at Peking, and one for Japanese. This year, a hundred young men of two races and 16 nationalities were thus bound together in a movement which stood for all-round development. An association for Koreans had recently been opened at Seoul, and Shanghai had a recently organized Japanese branch. Student associations were to be found in twelve art colleges, six theological colleges, twenty academies or preparatory schools and one medical college. These were located in the maritime and in two of the upper river provinces of China proper, and in Manchuria and Korea. The bond of union in this brotherhood was the central committee which existed to promote good fellowship and to secure unity of purpose and harmony of method among the associations. In the name of the central committee he extended to Mr. McPherson a very hearty welcome to his official position of the European department of the Y. M. C. A. in Hongkong. He also congratulated the Directors and members of the Hongkong Association in being the first to support a trained departmental secretary for the European department. He was sure that the coming days and years would supply the wisdom of the International Committee of North America in the selection they had made. The Rev. Mr. Southern having spoken, Mr. McPherson suitably responded. He thanked the speakers for the kind words of welcome and assured them that he had dispelled any feelings of loneliness that he had felt on arriving in the Colony.

Refreshments were served and a musical programme, which was contributed to by Mr. Danenberg, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Ferrill and Mr. George Grimble, brought the evening to a close.

Scotlan, the man who stole the famous picture of Our Lady of Loretto, was sentenced to 12 years' penal servitude. The loon had been object of devotion for centuries.

An Enterprising Marquis.
The Marquis of Bute has just sanctioned the expenditure of a million sterling on a railway in connection with the great docks at Cardiff. Fully a million and a half has already been spent on the first section, which will connect the second Marquis, the present Peer's grandfather, and was largely developed by the late Lord Bute, who combined with his love of learning and literary a shrewd head for business, and was an admirable manager of his immense and valuable estates in England and Scotland. Those who know the present Marquis believe him to have inherited the business aptitudes of his father, and he has shown himself, since his accession, keenly interested in the progress of the great railway, from which he derives not only most of his wealth, but also the title of Baron Cardiff, bestowed on the fourth Earl of Bute in 1770.

When suffering from a cold and you feel an attack of pneumonia, secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously. There is no danger from this disease when this remedy is used. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; Watson & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

The China Sugar Refinery, Limited.

The twenty-seventh annual general meeting of the China Sugar Refinery, Limited, was held at noon to-day, at the offices of the general agents, Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Company.

Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson was in the chair, and there were also present Sir Paul Chalmers, Messrs A. G. Wood, E. Shellin, A. J. Raymond, A. Rodger, M. S. Northcote, E. S. Joseph, S. J. Michael, J. R. Michael, E. J. Mosey, W. H. G. Kelly, H. N. Mosey, F. Smyth, A. C. Cunningham, E. H. Hicks, A. G. Stokes, T. Veitch, T. S. Forrest, A. P. Potts, A. Turner, Ho Fook and others.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, and the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—In accordance with local custom I propose to take the report and accounts as presented by Mr. Gresson.

In the year 1904 there was a remarkable advance in the price of sugar all over the world. This rise may be attributed principally to three causes:—(1) the gradual working down of the enormous stocks which had accumulated in consequence of the overproduction in the years immediately preceding the date of the Brussels Convention; (2) the discovery that in consequence of the unfavourable weather in Europe it was necessary to materially reduce the estimates of the growing beet crop; and (3) the knowledge that the world's consumption of sugar was fast increasing, and was being met by a very satisfactory margin of profit on the refining of our stock of raw sugar, which had for the most part been acquired while prices were comparatively low. Another noteworthy feature of our business during the period under review was the demand for refined sugar in China, our natural and best outlet, and I am pleased to say that consumption there showed a considerable increase over that of any previous year.

Turning to the accounts, and the appropriation of profits recommended, you will notice that we propose setting aside £50,000 off the profits, which I regret to say seems likely to remain unaccounted for by an indolent period, and to put aside £40,000 to form an Equalization of Dividend Fund. During in mind the reverses suffered only two years ago, when nearly a third of our capital was for the time being lost, this will, I am sure, meet with your hearty approval (applause).

The experience of recent years has pointed to the expediency of forming a Repairs and Renewals Account. It is obvious that machinery and plant depreciates with use, and that renewals are constantly being required, in most which in bad times there is often no money available, and it is therefore highly desirable that a fund should be created to provide for the outlay on plant, which must from time to time be necessary, and to enable us to acquire any of the new improvements in machinery which are frequently being brought under our notice.

For this purpose we propose to appropriate £150,000. I have pleasure in testifying to the zeal and diligence by the Company's staff, and as a mark of appreciation you will doubtless confirm the bonus which it is recommended be granted to the European employees (applause). Having materially strengthened the position of the Company, we are also happy able to recommend the payment of a final dividend of 5% per share, making a total of 32% per share for the year, and carry forward to next account \$12,512.75, and this, gentlemen, I hope you will consider satisfactory. If no further information be desired I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved and Mr. Gresson seconded, the adoption of the report and accounts. This motion was carried.

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NATIONAL NEIGHBOURS.

Last evening in the Union Church the Rev. C. H. Hickling lectured on war—public and private. War was a curse. Some of those who most deeply deplored the present state of things, were the heroes of our Army and Navy. Living in an era which is still recognized war, they stood ready, at their country's call, to bear innumerable hardships, and to lay down their lives. But some of these tried patriots were the foremost in recognizing that the burden in life and treasure was terrible and in fullest truth, needless.

International law was mitigating war and tending to its abolition. This law was a creation of the times, since Christianity had become a living force in public affairs. Among the Greeks there was no such law—a stranger was a foe. Among the Romans even the Jus gentium conferred no real rights on any foreigner. In practice the relations were hostile—against a public enemy there was no halfway authority, and the ancient maxim: In the middle ages even private war was waged. A titled man declared war against the city of Frankfurt because a lady residing there had broken her promise to dance with his cousin. The city was obliged to satisfy his wounded honour. Wherever feudalism extended, there was private war. Europe was as one great robbery. The attendant barbarities were equal to most of ancient times.

Sir Thomas Smith (1670) was the first to chronicle the sentiment of Christian brotherhood, and to develop the modern international law owed most to the Dutch Grotius of the 17th century. He declared that citizens must not neighbours of the same town or country but of the same world. As to arbitration he was in harmony with the more advanced leaders of the 19th century. He founded the law of nations on the law of nature as interpreted by the teachings of Jesus.

One of the greatest crimes of the world had been the supposed right of nominally Christian people to take possession of foreign territory by force of arms. The Roman Catholic Church had always supported this right. It could not be said that the Spirit of the Great Leader had as yet much affected modern international law on this topic. Still a beginning had been made in teaching universal justice as obligatory for all men, and the world was from a great power to a small one.

The ideas of Arbitration between nations dated from the 12th century when Henry II of England arbitrated in 23 articles between the States of Castile and Navarre. Scattered along these seven centuries we find many instances wherein there was an settlement of differences between nations by mediation and arbitration had been successfully attempted. It was significant that in our own generation the cases thus settled compared well in number with those of the previous centuries. The tendency was clear and the Hague Convention was putting the whole business on a working basis which would redound to the good of the whole world—almost beyond computation.

In dealing with duelling the lecturer noted the distinction between the judicial duel and the duel of honour. The latter was an offering of chivalry in the 16th century. It was the habit of barbarism carried forward into a more enlightened age to satisfy an exaggerated sensitiveness, to restrain rudeness and gratify enmity. This habit of duelling was a very conservative of politeness and peace. Supporters of duelling were most concerned with reputation, where Christianity was most concerned with character.

The struggle between the two was long. Under the influence of the latter many laws were passed, but without effect. It was frequently remitted. Even the Duke of Wellington felt constrained to fight a duel in 1829. An order of the King through the War Office in 1844 broke down the practice in England. It could scarcely be reckoned extinct as yet, the rest of the world, but throughout the world of Christianity and the Christian Church had been raised against it, and the practice would soon be regarded as too barbaric a method of settlement.

Progress in modern international law might be measured by noting certain changes. Private property at sea was being abolished. Private property at sea was being made more and more secure and even commandered property on land was being made more and more secure. The killing of an unarmed enemy, needless destruction of life and property, injury to women, even the plunder of philosophical or scientific buildings were now regarded as barbarous. The prisoner, once exposed to slavery and massacre, was now humanely treated, the wounded on either side were to be attended to and helped as speedily as possible. What has the influence of the 'Religion of Love,' direct and indirect, had reduced the evils of war and brought the settlement of quarrels, by reason in place of force, within the sphere of practical politics? The conduct of the Japanese in the present war was a most striking example. Although the war was nothing approaching a national adoption of Christianity the whole conduct of the campaign, in direct contrast with previous national custom, had been in a line with the utmost attainment of civilized nations.

In adopting western methods Japan had been guided by the teachings of the Spirit of Christianity while not adopting the form of it. It should be noted that outside Japan and the nominally Christian nations there was no international law. The Koran taught war and robbery upon the infidel. China knew no code of humanity or justice towards foreigners. No Buddhist teaching existed as to dealings between differing peoples. From the first things of humanity, actually in evidence, to the very latest—these were altogether the workings of the Spirit of Jesus. The full Christianization of international law awaited the slow action of Christianized public opinion.

SITKANS WINE placens at the Com. stand of the Physician the most advanced preparation of Cod Liver Oil. Far superior to the stomach disturbing emulsion.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.—This is a treatise of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children, for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. Sold by All Dealers; WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

THE Public examination of the Hon. Mr. J. L. McPherson, a clerk in the employ of Messrs Williams and Grist, was then proceeded with. Jacobbi stated that he owed Messrs Williams and Grist \$210, which money he had borrowed to pay off some contractors. Between 1891 and 1892 he borrowed \$1200 in order to carry out some private business; and also borrowed several hundred from Indians. Bankrupt was unimpaired and lived in Lascar Road. The five which occurred there about two years ago destroyed his furniture, which was uninsured. He had paid interest on the borrowed money at rates from six to ten per cent. per month—72 to 120 per cent. per annum. His monthly wages were \$80 and his expenses, including interest, were \$200 per month. Jacobbi declared that he supported his wife and children on the borrowed money, and submitted a composition to pay his creditors 50 per cent., at the rate of \$40 per month out of his salary.

The Official Receiver—Can you live on \$40? Bankrupt—Yes; I think so. I will endeavour to do so.

The Public examination was then closed.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS.
Mr. O. D. Thomson appeared on behalf of two managing partners in the Wing On bank and applied for a receiving order against them. He pointed out that the petition was signed by the only two managing partners here, whereas Sir William Goodman had ruled that the English Bankruptcy law which provided that a number of partners in a firm could not apply for a receiving order without the consent of all the partners was binding here. That rule was not included in the Hongkong Ordinances and there was nothing to require that it be fulfilled. In many cases where Chinese firms were concerned it was hardly possible to secure the consent of all the partners in the limited time at their disposal.

After argument Sir Henry Berkeley decided to adhere to Sir William Goodman's ruling.

Mr. Thomson then applied for an adjournment and asked for an order staying any proceedings against the debtors.

Private Justice declined to grant an order as asked, remarking that if any creditor cared to bring an action he could do so. The liabilities of the debtors was \$30,000 odd and their assets \$18,000 odd.

The Court adjourned until Thursday next.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.
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The Official Receiver—The declaration filed states that certain persons are partners and one of them is Chan Chung Man. If your Lordship will ask him a few questions, the Chief Justice—I cannot force him to go into the witness box. (To Mr. Brutton) Do you wish him examined?

Mr. Brutton—No. He is not a partner. The Chief Justice pointed out that he was not power to order Chan Chung Man to go into the box. The proper procedure for the creditors was to apply to the property of the firm and dispose of it. If Chan Chung Man was not a partner then he could do nothing.

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Agents.	Date of Leave.
Gibbs, Livingston & Co.	April 8, at No.
Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
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Butterfield & Swire...	March 30.
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Java-China-Japan Lijn...	1st half of April
Java-China-Japan Lijn...	1st half of April
Java-China-Japan Lijn...	2nd half of April
P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mar. 25, at N.
P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March
Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About March
Butterfield & Swire...	April 10.

.....	Messageries Maritimes	April 4, at 1
(a)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 29, at 5
.....	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Mar. 24, at 4
.....	Butterfield & Swire...	March 28.
.....	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 25, at 10
.....	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Apr. 1, at 10
.....	Dodwell & Co., Limited	About April
.....	Standard Oil Co.	About April
.....	About 1900

Doan & Co., Ltd.	About March
Dodwell & Co. Limited	About April
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Mar. 24, at
C. & O. S.S. Co.	April 4, at N
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	April 15, at
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	April 25, at
P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Mar.
Butterfield & Swire	March 28
Butterfield & Swire	March 28

Portland & A. S. Co.	Mar. 31, Da
Portland & A. S. Co.	Apr. 20, Da
Portland & A. S. Co.	May 11, Da
Jardine, Matheson & Co	Mar. 28, at
Sander, Wieler & Co.	March 28, p
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Butterfield & Swire...	March 28.
Douglas LaPrak & Co.	Mar. 24, at
Douglas LaPrak & Co.	Mar. 26, at
Butterfield & Swire...	April 20.
Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Mar.
Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Apr.
Canadian P'nc R. Co.	March 29.
Canadian P'nc R. Co.	April 19.

..... Canadian P'f's R. Co. April 20.
..... P. & O. S. N. Co. About Mar.

ST.—QUOTATIONS

No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotation Cash.
50,000	\$ 125	10	1250 London 558 1/2

10,000	£	250	£	50	£250
24,000	£	68.33	£	25	£68.33, sellers
10,000	£	15	£	5	£15, sellers
10,000	£	250	£	100	£250, sales & sell

3,000	\$	100	\$	80	\$160
20,000	\$	100		20	\$26, sellers
8,600	\$	250		50	\$315, sellers
50,000	\$	50	all		\$207, sellers
8,000	\$	25	\$	25	\$36, ex div., sellers
8,000	\$	61	\$	61	\$27, sellers
50,000	\$	50			\$22, 1/2% buyers

66,700	116, 100	176, 100	276, 145, buyers
80,000	\$ 50	\$ 60	} \$22, buyers
20,000	\$ 50	all	
80,000	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$26, sellers
60,000	\$ 10	all	\$124, sellers
10,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$37, sellers
10,000	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$28, sellers

1,000,000	£	1	£	1	22½ sales
8,800	Tls.	50	Tls.	50	Tls. 30, sales
200,000					{ Tls. 53, sales
100,000	Tls.	50	Tls.	50	{ Tls. 49, sales
20,000	\$	100	all		\$230, buyers
7,000	\$	100	all		\$25 sales & buyers
7,000	Tls.	50	T	50	Tls. 52½, sales

30,000	\$	50	all	} \$107. buyers
10,000				
20,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	
12,000				
50,000	\$	100	100	\$127. buyers.
62,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 115

5,000	\$	60	\$0	\$39, buyers
3,784	Tls.	25	Tls. 25	Tls. 12, buyers
150,000	\$	10	all	\$12
12,500	\$	50	\$ 50	\$50 $\frac{1}{2}$, sellers
1,250	\$	100	all	\$210, buyers

16,000	Ecs. 250	all	\$490
200,000	E	1 18/10	\$4, sellers
12,000	\$	50 all	\$114, buyers
2,000	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, sellers
30,000	\$	25 \$ 25	\$32, sales
30,000			(\$124, sales & buy

30,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$12, sales & buyers
10,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$8, sellers
7,000	\$	10			\$180, buyers
8,000	Tls.	50	Tls.	50	Tls. 115, buyers
30,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$18, buyers
30,000	\$	10	\$	5	\$10, buyers
30,000	\$	10			\$20, buyers

0,000	\$	10	\$	10	200, buyers
8,604	£	12/8	2/12/6	\$52	
Ordinary	\$	10	\$	6	\$25
10,000	\$	10	10	\$180	
15,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$180, sales & sellers
25,000	\$	7 1/2	\$	6	\$12, buyers
5,000	\$	95	\$	all	\$342, sellers

7,200	£	20	£ 20	Tls. 430, sales
0,000	\$	60	all	\$155
120,000		10	\$ 10	\$18, buyers
0,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 50	Tls. 27½, buyers
0,000	Tlr.	75	Tlr. 75	Tls. 25, sales
0,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 20, sales

2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 06	Tls. 15 ¹ , sellers
0,000	\$ 10	\$ 13	87, sellers
0,000	\$ 12	\$ 12	714, sellers
1,200	\$ 10	all	59, sellers
2,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	514, sellers
1,200	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$50

5,000 \$	25 \$	25 \$	\$21, buyers
7,500 \$	10 \$	10 \$	\$91, sellers
300 \$	500 \$	10	\$100, buyers
Value	Interest	Quotation	

ARNON and SMYTH, Shore-Peckers.

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